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Applicant: K. AOTA, et al.

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FRICTION STIR WELDING METHOD AND STRUCTURE

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 4, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as listed in the following, and as set forth on the following pages:

Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks are included following the amendments.